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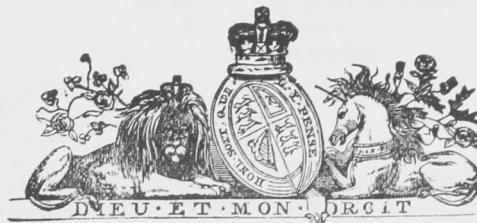
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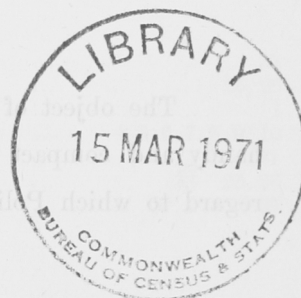
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STATISTICS OF THE COLONY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

I.—POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS.

No. 1.—*Population of the Colony of Western Australia since 1891.*

Period.	Estimated Population on the last day of period referred to.			Increase on preceding Estimate.		Number of Females to 100 Males.	Mean Population of the Colony.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Numerical.	Rate per cent. per annum.		
Year 1891	32,228	21,057	53,285	6,995	15·11	65·34	50,130
Do. 1892	36,095	22,579	58,674	5,389	10·11	62·55	55,856
Do. 1893	41,014	24,050	65,064	6,390	10·89	58·64	61,710
Do. 1894	55,072	27,000	82,072	17,008	26·14	49·03	75,094
Do. 1895	69,727	31,508	101,235	19,163	23·35	45·19	90,221
Do. 1896	96,952	40,994	137,946	36,711	36·26	42·28	122,809
Do. 1897	110,359	51,565	161,924	23,978	17·38	46·72	155,749
Do. 1898	112,054	56,075	168,129	6,205	3·83	50·04	169,271
Do. 1899	112,290	58,742	171,032	2,903	1·73	52·31	168,879
Month of January, 1900 ...	113,356	59,074	172,430	1,398	9·81	52·11	171,731
Do. February, 1900 ...	114,413	59,503	173,916	1,486	10·34	52·01	173,173
Do. March, 1900 ...	115,061	60,016	175,077	1,161	8·01	52·16	174,497
Do. April, 1900 ...	115,661	60,684	176,345	1,268	8·69	52·47	175,711
Do. May, 1900 ...	116,065	61,354	177,419	1,074	7·31	52·86	176,882
Do. June, 1900 ...	116,403	61,789	178,192	773	5·23	53·08	177,806
Do. July, 1900* ...	116,742	62,276	179,018	826	5·56	53·34	178,605
Do. August, 1900* ...	117,183	62,754	179,937	919	6·16	53·55	179,478
Do. September, 1900* ...	117,372	63,029	180,401	464	3·09	53·70	180,169
Do. October, 1900* ...	117,445	63,267	180,712	311	2·07	53·87	180,557
Increase in the population during the first ten months of 1900* ...				9,680	6·79		

* All figures in italics are preliminary figures, liable to revision.

No. 2.—*Immigration into and Emigration from Western Australia since 1891.*

Period.	Immigration.			Emigration.			Excess of Immigration over Emigration.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Year 1891	4,971	1,375	6,346	2,093	568	2,661	2,878	807	3,685
Do. 1892	5,828	1,612	7,440	2,299	669	2,968	3,529	943	4,472
Do. 1893	7,546	1,382	8,928	3,022	683	3,705	4,524	699	5,223
Do. 1894	22,703	3,155	25,858	8,999	893	9,892	13,704	2,262	15,966
Do. 1895	24,173	5,350	29,523	9,509	1,620	11,129	14,664	3,730	18,394
Do. 1896	43,764	11,451	55,215	16,524	2,742	19,266	27,240	8,709	35,949
Do. 1897	35,181	14,206	49,387	21,985	4,802	26,787	13,196	9,404	22,600
Do. 1898	22,683	10,026	32,709	21,769	6,987	28,756	914	3,039	3,953
Do. 1899	13,142	7,136	20,278	14,029	6,196	20,225	†887	940	53
Month of January, 1900	1,838	717	2,555	895	522	1,417	943	195	1,138
Do. February do.	2,028	945	2,973	1,068	645	1,713	960	300	1,260
Do. March do.	1,750	894	2,644	1,197	574	1,771	553	320	873
Quarter ended 31st March, 1900 ...	5,616	2,556	8,172	3,160	1,741	4,901	2,456	815	3,271
Month of April, 1900 ...	1,401	914	2,315	901	407	1,308	500	507	1,007
Do. May, 1900 ...	1,465	944	2,409	1,151	446	1,597	314	498	812
Do. June, 1900 ...	1,073	597	1,670	865	346	1,211	208	251	459
Quarter ended 30th June, 1900	3,939	2,455	6,394	2,917	1,199	4,116	1,022	1,256	2,278
Half - year ended 30th June, 1900	9,555	5,011	14,566	6,077	2,940	9,017	3,478	2,071	5,549
Month of July, 1900* ...	991	706	1,697	789	379	1,168	202	327	529
Do. August, 1900* ...	1,055	664	1,719	742	371	1,113	313	293	606
Do. Sept., 1900* ...	801	511	1,312	716	403	1,119	85	108	193
Quarter ended 30th of September*	2,847	1,881	4,728	2,247	1,153	3,400	600	728	1,328
Month of October, 1900*	1,029	734	1,763	1,063	645	1,708	†34	89	55
First ten months of 1900*	13,431	7,626	21,057	9,387	4,738	14,125	4,044	2,888	6,932

* All figures in italics are preliminary figures, liable to revision.

† Excess of Emigration over Immigration.

No. 3.—Number of Marriages, Births, and Deaths registered in the Colony since 1891.

Period.	Number of Marriages registered during the period.	Number of Births registered during the Period.			Number of Deaths registered during the Period.			Excess of Births over Deaths.	Annual Birth, Death, and Marriage Rate per 1,000 of the mean Population, represented by the number of registrations.		
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.		Birth Rate.	Death Rate.	Marriage Rate.
Year 1891	413	938	848	1,786	580	289	869	917	35·63	17·33	8·24
Do. 1892	412	959	889	1,848	621	310	931	917	33·09	16·67	7·38
Do. 1893	392	1,042	1,070	2,112	647	298	945	1,167	34·22	15·31	6·35
Do. 1894	482	1,109	1,014	2,123	755	326	1,081	1,042	28·27	14·40	6·42
Do. 1895	633	1,192	1,181	2,373	1,201	403	1,604	769	26·30	17·78	7·02
Do. 1896	1,077	1,435	1,347	2,782	1,450	570	2,020	762	22·65	16·45	8·77
Do. 1897	1,659	2,036	1,985	4,021	1,825	818	2,643	1,378	25·82	16·97	10·65
Do. 1898	1,674	2,574	2,394	4,968	1,793	923	2,716	2,252	29·35	16·05	9·89
Do. 1899	1,671	2,636	2,538	5,174	1,513	811	2,324	2,850	30·64	13·76	9·89
Month of January, 1900 ...	145	250	208	458	127	71	198	260	32·00	13·83	10·13
Do. February, 1900 ...	137	230	189	419	133	60	193	226	29·03	13·37	9·49
Do. March, 1900 ...	125	221	253	474	126	60	186	288	32·60	12·79	8·60
Quarter ended 31st March, 1900	407	701	650	1,351	386	191	577	774	31·21	13·33	9·40
Month of April, 1900 ...	167	207	233	440	107	72	179	261	30·05	12·22	11·41
Do. May, 1900 ...	151	227	242	469	137	70	207	262	31·82	14·04	10·24
Do. June, 1900 ...	172	251	242	493	121	58	179	314	33·27	12·08	11·61
Quarter ended 30th June, 1900	490	685	717	1,402	365	200	565	837	31·72	12·78	11·09
Half-year ended 30th June, 1900	897	1,386	1,367	2,753	751	391	1,142	1,611	31·47	13·05	10·25
Month of July, 1900* ...	134	256	204	460	119	44	163	297	30·91	10·95	9·00
Do. August, 1900* ...	165	239	229	468	111	44	155	313	31·29	10·36	11·03
Do. September, 1900* ...	138	203	239	442	99	72	171	271	29·44	11·39	9·19
Quarter ended 30th September, 1900*	437	698	672	1,370	329	160	489	881	30·56	10·91	9·75
Month of October, 1900* ...	149	239	208	447	132	59	191	256	29·71	12·69	9·90
First ten months of 1900* ...	1,483	2,323	2,247	4,570	1,212	610	1,822	2,748	31·01	12·36	10·06

* All figures in italics are preliminary figures, liable to revision.

II.—FINANCE.

(Tables Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 compiled from Returns supplied by L. S. Eliot, Esq., Under Treasurer.)

No. 4.—Revenue and Expenditure of Western Australia since 1891.

Period.	Total Revenue.	Total Expenditure.	Excess of	
			Revenue.	Expenditure.
Year ended 31st December, 1891	£ 497,670	£ 435,623	£ 62,047	£
Do. do. 1892	543,888	550,616	...	6,728
Do. 30th June, 1893	575,822	629,372	...	53,550
Do. do. 1894	681,246	656,357	24,889	
Do. do. 1895	1,125,941	936,729	189,212	
Do. do. 1896	1,858,695	1,823,863	34,823	
Do. do. 1897	2,842,751	2,839,453	3,298	
Do. do. 1898	2,754,747	3,256,912	...	502,165
Do. do. 1899	2,478,811	2,539,358	...	60,547
Do. do. 1900	2,875,396	2,615,675	259,721	

Month.	1896-97.		1897-98.		1898-99.		1899-1900.		1900-1901.	
	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Revenue.	Expenditure.
July ...	£ 186,746	£ 133,532	£ 174,426	£ 167,142	£ 157,815	£ 235,244	£ 170,742	£ 170,360	£ 203,601	£ 237,495
August ...	248,611	203,035	247,075	257,751	221,646	245,158	236,274	193,844	242,834	242,657
September ...	245,848	221,778	233,883	342,877	211,540	214,930	241,787	208,858	275,323	250,782
October ...	184,727	176,382	219,766	292,077	198,459	231,681	225,497	198,952	238,456	*
November ...	247,096	207,921	243,107	333,597	200,034	217,180	233,703	207,979		
December ...	236,425	275,194	232,219	232,835	211,178	193,824	246,939	215,114		
January ...	202,579	204,785	226,948	281,469	195,558	195,354	242,148	215,177		
February ...	326,276	220,747	239,231	284,145	203,074	185,441	240,120	230,826		
March ...	242,716	227,473	231,349	215,348	200,739	189,580	242,326	224,775		
April ...	237,960	235,027	209,859	302,567	197,702	196,602	253,652	238,564		
May ...	221,501	268,652	215,632	266,016	204,509	191,985	231,258	230,823		
June ...	262,266	464,927	281,252	281,088	276,557	242,379	310,950	280,403		
Total ...	2,842,751	2,839,453	2,754,747	3,256,912	2,478,811	2,539,358	2,875,396	2,615,675		

* Figures not yet available.

No. 5.—*Classification of the Revenue of Western Australia since 1891.*

Period.					Taxation.			Land.	Mining.	Public Works.			Post, Tele- graph, and Telephone.	Other Sources.	Total.	Revenue per head of mean Population.
					Customs and Excise.	Other Taxation.	Total.			Railways and Tramways.	Water Supply.	Total.				
					£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£ s. d.
Year ended 31st December, 1891	...	...	...	...	237,686	19,860	257,546	99,446	3,814	65,710	989	66,699	31,336	38,829	497,670	9 18 7
Do. do. 1892	...	...	...	...	276,554	20,529	297,083	73,274	6,085	94,258	1,071	95,329	35,572	36,545	543,888	9 14 9
Do. 30th June, 1893	...	...	...	...	265,182	20,640	285,822	91,823	6,998	109,487	1,169	110,656	39,958	40,565	575,822	9 16 8
Do. do. 1894	...	...	...	...	331,298	21,548	352,846	78,058	21,520	134,967	1,203	136,170	47,680	44,972	681,246	10 2 8
Do. do. 1895	...	...	...	...	513,508	34,645	548,153	89,841	51,050	295,733	13,454	309,187	80,756	46,954	1,125,941	13 13 2
Do. do. 1896	...	...	...	...	780,901	74,359	855,260	151,574	135,168	474,635	30,000	504,635	152,320	59,738	1,858,695	17 15 1
Do. do. 1897	...	...	...	...	1,087,257	101,958	1,189,215	185,126	212,407	939,146	21,456	960,602	208,340	87,061	2,842,751	20 4 0
Do. do. 1898	...	...	...	...	1,017,724	104,283	1,122,007	168,972	87,401	1,035,199	16,821	1,052,020	220,912	103,435	2,754,747	16 15 5
Do. do. 1899	...	...	...	...	867,520	65,447	932,967	142,720	73,522	1,020,937	11,999	1,032,936	197,171	99,495	2,478,811	14 12 11
Do. do. 1900	...	...	...	...	933,716	121,921	1,055,637	129,526	106,589	1,258,945	11,739	1,270,684	208,109	104,851	2,875,396	16 13 2
Month of July, 1900	...	...	...	...	75,450	16,985	92,435	8,462	5,866	70,813	319	71,132	18,908	6,798	203,601	1 2 10
Do. August, 1900	...	...	...	...	79,728	4,041	83,769	8,337	7,637	104,437	562	104,999	20,289	17,803	242,834	1 7 1
Do. September, 1900	...	...	...	...	93,138	6,940	100,078	29,750	5,951	113,535	1,235	114,770	15,358	9,416	275,323	1 10 7
Quarter ended 30th September, 1900	...	...	...	...	248,316	27,966	276,282	46,549	19,454	288,785	2,116	290,901	54,555	34,017	721,758	4 0 6
Month of October, 1900	...	...	...	...	82,048	4,553	86,601	11,004	5,706	111,440	1,626	113,066	14,770	7,309	238,456	1 6 5
First four months of Year 1899-1900	...	...	...	...	330,364	32,519	362,883	57,553	25,160	400,225	3,742	403,967	69,325	41,326	960,214	5 6 10

No. 6.—*Classification of the Expenditure of Western Australia from Consolidated Revenue since 1891.*

Period.	Railways and Tramways.	Other Public Works.	Public Debt—Interest and Sinking Funds.	Post, Telegraph, and Telephone.	Other Expenditure.	Total.	Expenditure per head of mean Population.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£ s. d.
Year ended 31st December, 1891 ...	68,348	30,976	76,772	41,243	218,284	435,623	8 13 10
Do. do. 1892 ...	92,600	50,944	98,211	49,975	258,886	550,616	9 17 2
Year ended 30th June, 1893 ...	100,944	85,696	103,837	53,312	285,583	629,372	10 15 0
Do. do. 1894 ...	105,978	68,163	133,262	66,983	281,971	656,357	9 15 3
Do. do. 1895 ...	183,941	145,287	154,723	86,800	365,978	936,729	11 7 3
Do. do. 1896 ...	266,868	638,502	194,623	170,325	553,545	1,823,863	17 8 5
Do. do. 1897 ...	580,147	805,480	251,172	313,203	889,451	2,839,453	20 3 6
Do. do. 1898 ...	852,648	847,240	338,263	289,475	929,286	3,256,912	19 16 7
Do. do. 1899 ...	749,129	325,895	426,760	237,262	800,312	2,539,358	15 0 0
Do. do. 1900 ...	884,861	219,465	439,825	239,309	832,215	2,615,675	15 3 1
Month of July, 1900 ...	86,404	17,983	39,180	19,865	74,063	237,495	1 6 7
Do. August, 1900 ...	84,357	25,436	39,180	20,634	73,050	242,657	1 7 1
Do. September, 1900 ...	85,244	21,482	39,180	20,229	84,647	250,782	1 7 10
Quarter ended 30th September, 1900	256,005	64,901	117,540	60,728	231,760	730,934	4 1 6
Month of October, 1900 ...	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

* Information not yet available.

No. 7.—*Net Loan Expenditure on Public Works, etc., in each of the Years, 1882 to 1900. †*

(The amount shown in this table for any year is the Total Loan Expenditure for that year, less the amount credited for sales of materials, etc.)

Year.	Railways and Tramways.	Electric Telegraphs.	Harbours, Rivers, Light-houses, etc.	Roads and Bridges.	Public Buildings.	Water Supply and Sewerage.	Development of Goldfields and Mineral Resources.	Agricultural Surveys and Development.	Immigration.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Prior to 1882 ...	274,320	73,277	19,016	33,358	885	...	...	...	...	...	400,856
Year 1882 ...	29,946	...	550	8,356	81	...	...	...	...	...	38,933
Do. 1883 ...	40,933	1,646	879	6,097	5,364	...	...	...	...	...	54,919
Do. 1884 ...	138,645	19,505	2,460	1,609	1,233	...	...	...	...	...	163,452
Do. 1885 ...	118,862	36,028	4,318	50	280	...	...	...	...	...	159,538
Do. 1886 ...	107,630	8,267	10,029	52	1,527	1,540	...	...	...	...	129,045
Do. 1887 ...	117,511	41,514	35,185	158	6,417	4,473	...	...	...	...	205,258
Do. 1888 ...	6,953	18,348	8,383	...	8,714	1,406	...	...	...	...	43,804
Do. 1889 ...	4,246	31,051	15,092	...	8,541	587	7,697	...	...	60,818	128,032
Do. 1890 ...	1,497	3,105	3,011	...	4,795	759	2,239	...	...	500	15,906
Do. 1891 ...	43,639	3,596	6,258	9,973	83	972	9,606	3,867	...	...	77,994
Do. 1892 ...	258,017	11,673	55,847	17,568	723	136	13,202	8,000	4,064	...	369,230
Half - year ended 30th June, 1893 ...	207,069	1,260	41,206	2,107	2,853	61	11,123	3,228	1,402	332	270,641
Year ended 30th June, 1894	505,427	28	70,474	2,188	5,790	17	67,907	4,214	2,699	446	659,190
Do. do. 1895	362,592	8,312	138,581	11,718	13,898	49	66,205	1,994	2,576	577	606,502
Do. do. 1896	409,121	11,698	194,937	12,242	59	...	7,056	13,236	2,359	...	650,708
Do. do. 1897	1,926,795	...	218,172	13,166	...	16,994	120,292	311,111	3,138	...	2,609,668
Do. do. 1898	1,385,794	...	208,392	13,635	2,633	75,757	201,007	3,833	4,737	357	1,896,145
Do. do. 1899	546,128	...	207,141	8,280	...	147,209	118,781	3,039	2,059	53	1,032,690
Do. do. 1900	151,111	...	197,488	730	...	474,616	52,612	1,344	338	90	878,329
Total ...	6,636,236	269,308	1,437,419	141,287	63,876	724,576	677,727	353,866	23,372	63,173	10,390,840

† The expenditure from Loans has been classified in this table under the headings made use of in the Schedules to the various Loan Acts, this being the method adopted by the Treasury. Information as to the total amount *actually* spent under some headings of Expenditure is consequently not obtainable, certain items being included under the indefinite heading "Development of Goldfields and Mineral Resources;" "Electric Telegraphs" and "Water Supply and Sewerage" are probably most affected by this classification.

No. 8.—*Public Debt of Western Australia in each of the Years, 1891 to 1900; also Indebtedness per head of Estimated Population.*

Date.	Amount Outstanding.					Gross Indebtedness per head.	Amount of Accrued Sinking Fund.	Net Indebtedness.	
	Deben- tures.	Inscribed Stock.	Treasury Bills.	Total.	Average rate of interest payable.			Amount.	Per head of Population.
	£	£	£	£	%	£ s. d.	£	£	£ s. d.
31st Dec., 1891	464,909	1,148,694	...	1,613,594	4·13	30 5 8	99,325	1,514,269	28 8 4
" " 1892	451,000	1,810,864	...	2,261,864	4·09	38 11 0	114,294	2,147,570	36 12 0
30th June, 1893	444,700	1,815,313	20,000	2,280,013	4·10	37 5 0	114,294	2,165,719	35 7 8
" " 1894	410,100	2,822,154	185,085	3,417,339	4·08	45 0 3	138,531	3,278,808	43 3 9
" " 1895	396,600	3,581,646	14,435	3,992,681	3·96	44 11 9	154,785	3,837,896	42 17 2
" " 1896	382,000	4,341,753	12,820	4,736,573	3·80	38 13 10	175,033	4,561,540	37 5 3
" " 1897	370,900	6,447,595	492,320	7,310,815	3·59	46 6 6	205,637	7,105,178	45 0 5
" " 1898	366,600	7,448,094	1,303,530	9,118,224	3·54	53 6 7	255,784	8,862,440	51 16 9
" " 1899	360,600	8,462,225	1,550,000	10,372,825	3·49	61 11 4	310,373	10,062,452	59 14 6
" " 1900	352,500	9,522,140	1,800,000	11,674,640	3·45	65 10 4	377,161	11,297,479	63 8 0

No. 9.—*Transactions of the Post Office Savings Bank since 1891.*

Period.	Deposits.	With- drawals.	Excess of Deposits over Withdrawals.	Number of Accounts			Amount due to Depositors at end of period (inclusive of interest in the annual re- turns).	Average amount standing to the credit of each Account remain- ing open at end of period.
				Opened.	Closed.	Remaining open at end of period.		
	£	£	£	No.	No.	No.	£	£ s. d.
Year ended 31st December, 1891	38,499	28,347	10,152	1,750	1,200	3,564	46,181	12 19 2
Do. do. 1892	54,611	40,658	13,953	2,424	1,545	4,443	61,990	13 19 1
Half year ended 30th June, 1893	39,212	27,436	11,775	1,368	1,066	4,745	74,926	15 15 10
Year ended 30th June, 1894 ...	146,388	83,509	62,878	3,970	2,405	6,310	141,320	22 7 11
Do. do. 1895 ...	217,930	143,680	74,251	5,452	3,388	8,374	221,815	26 9 9
Do. do. 1896 ...	520,016	291,744	228,272	14,250	6,464	16,160	460,610	28 10 1
Do. do. 1897 ...	1,068,322	690,183	378,139	24,783	14,626	26,317	856,084	32 10 7
Do. do. 1898 ...	1,231,638	1,042,521	189,117	23,865	20,391	29,791	1,072,058	35 19 9
Do. do. 1899 ...	1,057,023	1,042,751	14,272	17,972	18,392	29,371	1,116,178	38 0 1
Do. do. 1900	1,142,099	962,371	179,728	18,406	14,131	33,646	1,299,144	38 12 3
Month of July, 1900 ...	105,680	73,629	32,051	1,582	989	34,239	1,331,195	38 17 7
Do. August, 1900 ...	115,715	82,262	33,453	1,813	1,157	34,895	1,364,648	39 2 2
Do. September, 1900 ...	108,045	73,389	34,656	1,710	1,019	35,586	1,399,304	39 6 5
Do. October, 1900 ...	108,566	96,422	12,144	1,607	1,313	35,880	1,411,448	39 6 9

No. 10.—*Averages since 1891 of the Weekly Statements of Liabilities and Assets of the Banks of Issue operating in Western Australia.*

Period.		No. of Banks.	Liabilities.						Total Average Liabilities.
			Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Balances due to other Banks.	Deposits.			
						Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.	
			£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Year, 1891	5	76,747	5,925	9,496	517,713	681,687	1,199,400	1,291,568	
Do. 1892	5	94,309	7,122	22,869	543,272	858,211	1,401,483	1,525,783	
Do. 1893	5	84,698	22,594	19,867	462,752	830,695	1,293,447	1,420,606	
Do. 1894	6	143,156	25,458	8,020	751,430	877,872	1,629,302	1,805,936	
Do. 1895	6	214,679	57,465	15,185	1,593,372	996,355	2,589,727	2,877,056	
Do. 1896	6	395,092	85,382	25,403	3,192,348	1,385,048	4,577,396	5,083,273	
Do. 1897	6	374,993	75,396	68,774	3,096,105	973,562	4,069,667	4,588,830	
Do. 1898	6	330,673	60,040	45,363	2,576,783	1,024,393	3,601,176	4,037,252	
Do. 1899	6	315,189	34,658	38,507	2,547,152	1,261,477	3,808,629	4,196,983	
Quarter ended 31st March, 1900	6	360,239	36,133	46,177	2,890,655	1,534,717	4,425,372	4,867,921	
Quarter ended 30th June, 1900	6	362,141	33,432	41,816	2,908,892	1,499,322	4,408,214	4,845,603	

Period.	Assets.								Total Average Assets.
	Coined Gold, Silver, and other metals.	Gold and Silver, in Bullion and Bars.	Government Securities.	Landed Property and Bank Premises.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	Notes and Bills discounted and other Debts to Banks not before enumerated.		
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
Year, 1891	360,339	16,149	7,500	104,527	6,223	15,335	1,603,416	2,113,489	
Do. 1892	410,001	20,805	7,500	113,680	7,870	19,812	2,046,321	2,625,989	
Do. 1893	431,316	25,590	7,500	106,706	7,133	5,702	2,196,840	2,780,787	
Do. 1894	636,973	52,418	7,500	105,059	16,869	18,834	2,118,429	2,956,082	
Do. 1895	1,200,582	76,894	7,500	103,625	31,199	142,987	2,385,662	3,948,449	
Do. 1896	2,323,962	90,657	13,750	111,421	58,708	343,430	2,812,547	5,754,475	
Do. 1897	2,102,831	132,165	116,000	136,481	37,328	104,187	3,349,806	5,978,798	
Do. 1898	1,631,604	195,640	58,488	158,266	41,049	128,998	3,206,434	5,420,479	
Do. 1899	1,527,902	238,484	43,118	181,199	53,343	124,523	2,817,465	4,986,034	
Quarter ended 31st March, 1900	2,017,026	222,778	50,222	196,532	68,918	242,089	2,641,930	5,439,495	
Quarter ended 30th June, 1900	2,363,211	231,674	69,152	198,564	66,187	206,341	2,670,144	5,805,273	

III.—SHIPPING.

No. 11.—*Number and Tonnage of Vessels entered and cleared at Western Australian Ports from and to Ports outside the Colony in each Year since 1891.*

(Compiled from Returns furnished by Clayton T. Mason, Esq., Collector of Customs.)

Period.	Inwards.		Outwards.		Inwards and Outwards.	
	Vessels.	Tons.	Vessels.	Tons.	Vessels.	Tons.
1891	310	533,433	288	512,122	598	1,045,555
1892	356	572,090	320	552,475	676	1,124,565
1893	293	539,953	288	531,465	581	1,071,418
1894	372	675,775	349	653,303	721	1,329,078
1895	485	814,368	433	764,185	918	1,578,553
1896	768	1,105,907	683	1,030,471	1,451	2,136,378
1897	721	1,196,760	707	1,181,072	1,428	2,377,832
1898	633	1,199,894	631	1,189,732	1,264	2,389,626
1899	685	1,333,052	668	1,305,596	1,353	2,638,648
First Half-year of 1900	384	826,123	380	814,671	764	1,640,794

IV.—TRADE.

(Compiled from Returns supplied by Clayton T. Mason, Esq., Collector of Customs.)

No. 12.—*Value of Imports into Western Australia in each Year since 1891.*

Imports from	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.	First Half-year of 1900.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom ...	568,570	592,496	733,001	611,308	943,477	2,057,635	2,624,086	2,051,872	1,550,029	1,101,923
Australasian Colonies ...	584,735	679,752	665,000	1,374,071	2,702,542	4,105,142	3,277,300	2,743,761	2,312,357	1,302,114
Other British Possessions ...	98,741	77,258	67,780	62,056	92,062	203,425	210,100	165,123	163,190	105,681
Total, British ...	1,252,046	1,349,506	1,465,781	2,047,435	3,738,081	6,366,202	6,111,486	4,960,756	4,025,576	2,509,718
Foreign Countries ...	28,047	41,603	28,657	66,979	36,870	127,355	307,079	281,209	447,956	294,296
Grand Total ...	1,280,093	1,391,109	1,494,438	2,114,414	3,774,951	6,493,557	6,418,565	5,241,965	4,473,532	*2,804,014
Value of Imports per head of Mean Population ...	£ s. d. 25 10 8	£ s. d. 24 18 1	£ s. d. 24 4 4	£ s. d. 28 3 2	£ s. d. 41 16 10	£ s. d. 52 17 6	£ s. d. 41 4 3	£ s. d. 30 19 4	£ s. d. 26 9 9	£ s. d. 16 0 6

* The total value of Imports for the first nine months of 1900 is £4,412,927, or £25 0s. 2d. per head of mean population. Details are not available.

No. 13.—*Value of Exports from Western Australia in each Year since 1891.*

Exports to	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.	First Half-year of 1900.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom ...	427,693	395,700	349,080	330,216	328,125	508,755	1,736,205	2,293,652	3,774,247	1,487,426
Australasian Colonies ...	237,390	314,272	479,357	829,399	932,018	962,959	1,980,218	2,462,961	2,937,574	788,830
Other British Possessions ...	109,109	153,583	79,186	86,288	50,839	120,026	158,457	138,692	191,554	206,660
Total, British ...	774,192	863,555	907,623	1,245,903	1,310,982	1,591,740	3,874,880	4,895,305	6,903,375	2,482,916
Foreign Countries ...	25,274	18,593	10,524	5,503	21,572	58,486	65,218	64,701	82,267	131,732
Grand Total ...	799,466	882,148	918,147	1,251,406	1,332,554	1,650,226	3,940,098	4,960,006	6,985,642	*2,614,648
Value of Exports per head of Mean Population ...	£ s. d. 15 18 11	£ s. d. 15 15 10	£ s. d. 14 17 7	£ s. d. 16 13 3	£ s. d. 14 15 5	£ s. d. 13 8 9	£ s. d. 25 5 11	£ s. d. 29 6 1	£ s. d. 41 7 3	£ s. d. 14 18 11

* The total value of Exports for the first nine months of 1900 is £4,628,807, or £26 4s. 8d. per head of mean population. Details are not available.

No. 14.—*Total Trade (Value of Imports and Exports combined) of Western Australia in each Year since 1891.*

Total Trade with	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.	First Half-year of 1900.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom ...	996,263	988,196	1,082,081	941,524	1,271,602	2,566,390	4,360,291	4,345,524	5,324,276	2,589,349
Australasian Colonies ...	822,125	994,024	1,144,357	2,203,470	3,634,560	5,068,101	5,257,518	5,206,728	5,249,931	2,090,944
Other British Possessions ...	207,850	230,841	146,966	148,344	142,901	323,451	368,557	303,815	354,744	312,341
Total, British ...	2,026,238	2,213,061	2,373,404	3,293,338	5,049,063	7,957,942	9,986,366	9,856,061	10,928,951	4,992,634
Foreign Countries ...	53,321	60,196	39,181	72,482	58,442	185,841	372,297	345,910	530,223	426,028
Grand Total ...	2,079,559	2,273,257	2,412,585	3,365,820	5,107,505	8,143,783	10,358,663	10,201,971	11,459,174	*5,418,662
Value of Total Trade per head of Mean Population ...	£ s. d. 41 9 7	£ s. d. 40 13 11	£ s. d. 39 1 11	£ s. d. 44 16 5	£ s. d. 56 12 3	£ s. d. 66 6 3	£ s. d. 66 10 2	£ s. d. 60 5 5	£ s. d. 67 17 0	£ s. d. 30 19 5

* The value of the Total Trade for the first nine months of 1900 is £9,041,734, or £51 4s. 10d. per head of mean population. Details are not available.

No. 15.—*Values for each Year since 1891 of Imports subject to various rates of Duty and Duty Free, and of Exports, the Produce of Western Australia and of other Colonies and Countries, respectively.*

Particulars.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.	First nine months of 1900.
IMPORTS.	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Value of Goods Imported, subject to a Specific Duty ...	479,795	591,555	533,293	801,559	1,096,988	1,664,437	1,963,351	1,666,167	1,369,027	1,158,817
Do. do. 20 per cent. Duty ...	37,918	45,431	30,023	58,292	103,627	252,221	257,329	132,281	87,146	81,879
Do. do. 15 do. ...	...	...	62,069	286,753	460,033	836,441	943,322	821,692	821,372	830,943
Do. do. 12½ do. ...	430,433	509,128	265,953	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do. do. 10 do. ...	...	...	49,437	261,832	414,614	684,074	737,060	479,631	353,421	405,961
Do. do. 5 do. ...	67,203	64,497	80,043	214,115	373,210	691,394	196,640	285,258	485,391	459,035
Do. do. Duty Free ...	264,744	180,498	473,620	491,863	1,326,479	2,400,990	2,320,863	1,856,936	1,357,175	1,476,292
Total Value of Imports ...	1,280,093	1,391,109	1,494,438	2,114,414	3,774,951	6,493,557	6,418,565	5,241,965	4,473,532	4,412,927
EXPORTS.										
Value of Produce and Manufactures of Western Australia...	788,767	870,814	870,437	1,219,047	1,273,638	1,603,748	3,218,569	4,820,420	6,793,946	* 4,628,807
Value of Produce and Manufactures of other Colonies and Countries ...	10,699	11,334	47,710	32,359	58,916	46,478	721,529	139,586	191,696	
Total Value of Exports ...	799,466	882,148	918,147	1,251,406	1,332,554	1,650,226	3,940,098	4,960,006	6,985,642	4,628,807

* Details not available.

No. 16.—*Percentage of the Total Value of Imports, subject to various rates of Duty, and Duty Free, and of Exports, the produce or manufacture of Western Australia and of other Colonies and Countries, respectively, in each Year since 1891.*

Particulars.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.	First nine months of 1900.
IMPORTS.	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Percentage of Total Value of Goods Imported, subject to a Specific Duty ...	37·48	42·52	35·68	37·91	29·06	25·63	30·59	31·79	30·60	26·26
Percentage of Total Value of Goods Imported, subject to 20 % Duty ...	2·96	3·26	2·01	2·76	2·74	3·88	4·01	2·52	1·95	1·86
Percentage of Total Value of Goods Imported, subject to 15 % Duty ...	...	...	4·15	13·56	12·19	12·88	14·70	15·68	18·36	18·83
Percentage of Total Value of Goods Imported, subject to 12½ % Duty ...	33·63	36·60	17·80	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Percentage of Total Value of Goods Imported, subject to 10 % Duty ...	...	...	3·31	12·38	10·98	9·98	11·48	9·15	7·90	9·20
Percentage of Total Value of Goods Imported, subject to 5 % Duty ...	5·25	4·64	5·36	10·13	9·89	10·65	3·06	5·44	10·85	10·40
Percentage of Total Value of Goods Imported, Duty Free ...	20·68	12·98	31·69	23·26	35·14	36·98	36·16	35·42	30·34	33·45
	100·00	100·00	100·00	100·00	100·00	100·00	100·00	100·00	100·00	100·00
EXPORTS.										
Percentage of Total Value of Exports, being the Produce and Manufactures of Western Australia ...	98·66	98·72	94·80	97·42	95·58	97·18	81·69	97·19	97·26	* }
Percentage of Total Value of Exports, being the Produce and Manufactures of other Colonies and Countries ...	1·34	1·28	5·20	2·58	4·42	2·82	18·31	2·81	2·74	
	100·00	100·00	100·00	100·00	100·00	100·00	100·00	100·00	100·00	

* Details not available.

No. 17.—*Value of the Exports of the Colony in each Year since 1891, distinguishing the most important articles.*

Period.	Gold Specie. (Including from 1899 local Gold minted.) *	Value of principal articles of Exports, being the produce of the Colony.								All other Articles.	Total Exports.
		+ Raw Gold.	Wool.	Timber.	Hides and Skins.	Pearls and Shell.	Sandal-wood.	Copper Ore.	Tin Ore.		
1891 ...	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1892 ...	...	115,182	329,365	89,176	39,434	140,527	37,600	4,463	10,200	33,519	799,466
1893 ...	...	226,284	326,703	78,419	36,897	119,519	42,870	8,696	13,843	28,917	882,148
1894 ...	20,060	421,385	244,972	33,888	24,269	89,653	32,160	606	11,134	40,020	918,147
1895 ...	...	787,099	232,201	74,804	14,878	62,805	23,430	...	15,274	40,915	1,251,406
1896 ...	4,500	879,748	183,510	88,146	18,941	47,501	30,863	12,952	9,703	56,690	1,332,554
1897 ...	92	1,068,808	267,506	116,420	18,569	50,740	65,800	100	4,338	57,853	1,650,226
1898 ...	626,080	2,564,977	295,646	192,451	37,996	60,496	49,480	1,033	3,275	108,664	3,940,098
1899 ...	15,000	3,990,698	287,731	326,195	60,226	99,009	31,812	4,266	2,760	142,309	4,960,006
1899 ...	* 79,692	5,451,368	423,296	553,198	82,981	110,667	29,719	41,452	23,163	87,106	6,985,642
First nine months of 1900	* 1,001,763	+ 2,828,660	101,644	320,708	58,804	74,596	38,938	10,760	27,765	165,169	4,628,807

* The exact amount, being Western Australian mintage, cannot be ascertained with any accuracy. + For TOTAL PRODUCTION OF GOLD, see Table No. 21, page 10.

V.—GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

(Compiled from Returns furnished by Alpin F. Thomson, Esq., Under Secretary for Railways.)

No. 18.—Traffic and Rolling Stock of Government Railways of Western Australia since 1891.

Year.	Length.		Traffic.			Rolling Stock.			
	Average worked during the Year.	Open at the end of the Year.	No. of Train Miles Run.	Passengers Carried.	Goods Carried.	Locomotives.	Passenger Carriages.	Wagons and Brake Vans.	Total Number.
	Miles.	Miles.	No.	No.	Tons.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Year 1891	203	203	311,273	277,997	96,498	28	34	474	536
Do. 1892	203	203	406,450	456,631	135,890	30	43	634	707
Half-year ended 30th June, 1893	203	252	234,726	286,520	86,004	33	48	715	796
Year ended 30th June, 1894	321	321	641,080	617,080	204,686	41	53	1,052	1,146
Do. do. 1895	550	573	997,540	1,022,248	255,839	49	75	1,459	1,583
Do. do. 1896 *	580	588	1,541,750	1,679,816	435,757	74	102	2,360	2,536
Do. do. 1897	830	970	2,537,192	3,607,486	858,748	151	224	3,485	3,860
Do. do. 1898	974	993	3,613,874	5,669,444	1,203,911	186	289	4,478	4,953
Do. do. 1899	1,270	1,355	3,257,871	5,872,200	1,148,252	231	343	4,558	5,132
Do. do. 1900	1,355	1,355	4,216,161	6,225,068	1,384,040	233	260	4,777	5,270

* Including Passenger Brake Vans up to 30th June, 1899.

† Exclusive of Passenger Brake Vans up to 30th June, 1899.

No. 19.—Revenue and Expenditure of the Government Railways of Western Australia since 1891.

Year.	Gross Earnings.						Working Expenses.				Result of Traffic (irrespective of interest on cost of construction).			
	Passenger Fares.	Goods, Parcels, and Wharfage.	Miscellaneous, including Rents, Mails, etc.	Total Amount.	Per Average Mile Worked.	Per Train Mile Run.	Total Amount.	Per cent. of Gross Earnings.	Per Average Mile Worked.	Per Train Mile Run.	Net Earnings.			
											Amount.	Per cent. of Cost of Construction.	Per Average Mile Worked.	Per Train Mile Run.
	£	£	£	£	£	d.	£	%	£	d.	£	%	£	d.
Year 1891	26,750	34,940	2,344	64,034	315	49·37	63,536	99·22	313	48·98	498	0·05	2	0·39
Do. 1892	33,693	56,350	4,158	94,201	464	55·62	90,654	96·23	447	53·52	3,547	0·37	17	2·10
Half-year ended 30th June, 1893	16,967	34,641	3,060	54,668	269	55·87	47,069	86·10	232	48·10	7,598	0·79	37	7·77
Year ended 30th June, 1894	47,804	80,669	12,091	140,564	438	52·59	103,972	73·96	324	38·90	36,591	3·12	114	13·69
Year ended 30th June, 1895	107,278	181,695	7,027	296,000	538	71·22	182,045	61·50	331	43·79	113,954	5·44	207	27·43
Year ended 30th June, 1896	150,597	352,597	26,422	529,616	913	82·44	263,704	49·79	455	41·05	265,912	11·48	458	41·39
Year ended 30th June, 1897	303,124	572,715	39,644	915,483	1,103	86·59	577,655	63·09	696	54·64	337,828	9·04	407	31·95
Year ended 30th June, 1898	345,174	646,695	27,808	1,019,677	1,047	67·72	786,318	77·11	807	52·22	233,359	4·62	240	15·50
Year ended 30th June, 1899	312,685	655,863	36,073	1,004,620	791	74·01	712,329	70·91	561	52·48	292,291	4·55	230	21·53
Year ended 30th June, 1900	342,468	884,843	32,201	1,259,512	930	71·70	861,470	68·40	636	49·04	398,042	5·81	294	22·66

No. 20.—Cost of Construction, etc., and Financial Results of the Government Railways of Western Australia, for each Year since 1891.

Year.	Total Cost of Construction and Equipment of Lines open for Traffic at end of period referred to.			Interest on Cost.			Profit on Working Traffic.	Net Financial Result for Year, taking Interest on cost and Results of Working Traffic conjointly.		
	From Loan.	From other Sources.	Total.	On Loan Moneys.	On other Moneys (taken at 4 per cent.).	Total.		Profit.	Loss.	Per cent. on Cost of Construction and Equipment.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	%
Year 1891	844,439	59,051	903,490	36,115	2,361	38,476	498	...	37,978	4·20 Loss.
Do. 1892	881,348	62,048	943,396	37,138	2,481	39,619	3,547	...	36,072	3·82 Do.
Half-year ended 30th June, 1893	897,544	62,048	959,592	18,893	1,241	20,134	7,598	...	12,536	1·30 Do.
Year ended 30th June, 1894	1,107,174	62,048	1,169,222	46,170	2,481	48,651	36,591	...	12,060	1·03 Do.
Do. do. 1895	2,030,324	62,048	2,092,372	83,096	2,481	85,577	113,954	28,377	...	1·35 Profit.
Do. do. 1896	2,167,468	149,356	2,316,824	88,559	5,974	94,533	265,912	171,378	...	7·40 Do.
Do. do. 1897	3,526,461	208,016	3,734,477	130,372	8,320	138,692	337,828	199,136	...	5·33 Do.
Do. do. 1898	4,824,981	222,280	5,047,261	169,490	8,891	178,381	169,652	...	8,729	0·17 Loss.
Do. do. 1899	6,073,058	354,312	6,427,370	207,257	14,172	221,429	292,291	70,862	...	1·10 Profit.
Do. do. 1900	6,472,722	383,641	6,856,363	219,190	16,786	235,976	398,042	162,066	...	2·36 Do.

VI.—GOLD MINING STATISTICS.

No. 21.—*Annual Gold Production of Western Australia since 1886, comprising Raw Gold entered for Export, plus Raw Gold received at the Perth Branch of the Royal Mint (from its opening in May, 1899).*

(Compiled from Returns supplied by Clayton T. Mason, Esq., Collector of Customs, and J. F. Campbell, Esq., Deputy Master of Perth Branch of Royal Mint.)

Period.	Quantity of Raw Gold			Value, calculated at £3 16s. per oz.
	Exported.	Received at Perth Mint.	Total.	
	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	£
Year 1886	302	...	302	1,148
Do. 1887	4,873	...	4,873	18,517
Do. 1888	3,493	...	3,493	13,273
Do. 1889	15,492	...	15,492	58,870
Do. 1890	22,806	...	22,806	86,663
Do. 1891	30,311	...	30,311	115,182
Do. 1892	59,548	...	59,548	226,282
Do. 1893	110,891	...	110,891	421,386
Do. 1894	207,131	...	207,131	787,098
Do. 1895	231,513	...	231,513	879,749
Do. 1896	281,265	...	281,265	1,068,807
Do. 1897	674,994	...	674,994	2,564,977
Do. 1898	1,050,184	...	1,050,184	3,990,699
Do. 1899	1,434,570	209,307	1,643,877	6,246,733
Month of January, 1900	115,065	28,755	143,820	546,516
Do. February do.	86,363	31,486	117,849	447,826
Do. March do.	72,526	53,524	126,050	478,990
Do. April do.	77,859	35,647	113,506	431,323
Do. May do.	81,848	38,465	120,313	457,189
Do. June do.	85,206	51,561	136,767	519,715
Half-year ended 30th June, 1900	518,867	239,438	758,305	2,881,559
Month of July, 1900	64,193	49,409	113,602	431,688
Do. August, 1900	73,599	57,887	131,486	499,647
Do. September, 1900	87,726	60,579	148,305	563,559
Quarter ended 30th September, 1900	225,518	167,875	393,393	1,494,894
Month of October, 1900	84,562	48,724	133,286	506,486
First ten months of 1900	828,947	456,037	1,284,984	4,882,939
From 1886 up to 31st October, 1900	4,956,320	665,344	5,621,664	21,362,323

No. 22.—*Monthly Export of Gold from Western Australia, from 1895 to 31st October, 1900, plus Gold received at the Perth Branch of the Royal Mint (from its opening in May, 1899).*

(Compiled from Returns supplied by Clayton T. Mason, Esq., Collector of Customs, and J. F. Campbell, Esq., Deputy Master of Perth Branch of Royal Mint.)

Month.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.	1900.
	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.
January	18,687	16,350	40,387	93,395	110,090	143,820
February	15,509	17,922	32,526	53,739	100,565	117,849
March	19,620	11,085	40,296	75,380	106,099	126,050
April	19,129	16,773	39,660	84,083	116,466	113,506
May	19,208	22,266	59,112	83,347	114,623	120,313
June	16,128	27,934	53,349	80,750	161,953	136,767
July	20,195	16,258	48,811	76,981	137,932	113,602
August	23,668	29,517	65,129	89,395	145,398	131,486
September	18,244	35,301	71,777	89,179	167,077	148,305
October	27,726	27,331	75,690	116,825	205,186	133,286
November	15,509	30,874	75,845	111,793	139,868	
December	17,890	29,654	72,412	95,317	138,620	
Totals	231,513	281,265	674,994	1,050,184	1,643,877	*1,284,984

* Total during 1900 up to 31st October.

No. 23.—*Dividends (from Gold won) paid up to 31st October, 1900, by Western Australian Gold Mining Companies.*

	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.
Amount of dividends ...	£ 1,250	£ 5,326	£ 1,875	£ 34,350	£ 110,642	£ 74,183	£ 218,216	£ 506,982	£ 601,124	£ 2,032,370
	1900.									
	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	Sep-tember.	October.
*Amounts of dividends	£ 143,520	£ 196,102	£ 40,650	£ 110,395	£ 306,250	£ 73,250	£ 77,243	£ 191,244	£ 10,519	£ 59,520
										£ 1,208,693
										£ 4,795,011

* All figures in italics are preliminary figures, liable to revision.

VII.—LIVE STOCK.

No. 24.—*Number of Live Stock in the Colony on the 31st December in each of the Four Years 1896 to 1899.*

Year.			Horses.	Cattle.	Sheep.	Pigs.	Goats.	Camels.	Mules and Donkeys.
1896	...	...	57,527	199,793	2,248,976	31,154	4,027	3,984	104
1897	...	...	62,227	244,971	2,210,742	31,809	4,229	3,072	219
1898	...	...	63,604	269,947	2,251,548	39,433	5,215	3,197	209
1899	...	...	65,918	297,075	2,282,306	55,953	5,987	2,571	218

VIII.—LAND SETTLEMENT.

No. 25.—*Land Settlement, as on the 31st December, 1899.*

(Compiled from Returns supplied by R. C. Clifton, Esq., Under Secretary for Lands.)

Particulars.							Area.	Area.
							acres.	acres.
I.—ABSOLUTELY ALIENATED:—								
Area sold by public auction or other forms of direct sale, or otherwise alienated, up to 31st December, 1899							—	3,413,529
II.—IN PROCESS OF ALIENATION ON THE 31ST OF DECEMBER, 1899:—								
Free Homestead Farms							218,628	
Conditional Purchases...							1,141,988	
Selections from late W.A. Land Company							77,099	
Selections under the Agricultural Lands Purchase Act							26,880	
Special Occupation Leases and Licenses							23,406	
Homestead or Grazing Leases							151,139	
Poison Land Leases and Licenses							1,425,867	
Immigrants' Grants							400	
Village Allotments							6	
Working Men's Blocks							7	
								3,065,420
Total area alienated or in process of alienation on the 31st December, 1899							—	6,478,949
III.—LEASES OR LICENSES IN FORCE ON 31ST DECEMBER, 1899:—								
Pastoral Leases							94,234,398	
Special Leases							655	
Leases of Reserves							1,045	
Selections in Goldfields							4,924	
Timber Leases and Licenses							1,467,343	
Total Leases and Licenses (exclusive of Mineral Leases)							95,708,365	
Mineral Leases							63,495	
								95,771,860
IV.—AREA NEITHER ALIENATED, IN PROCESS OF ALIENATION, NOR LEASED							—	522,337,991
Total Area of Western Australia							—	624,588,800

No. 26.—*Principal Crown Lands Transactions in 1900.*

(Compiled from Returns supplied by R. C. Clifton, Esq., Under Secretary for Lands.)

Areas of Crown Lands for which Applications have been approved by the Lands Department during each Month of the Year 1900:—

Period.	Conditional Alienation.					Leases.						
	Condi-tional Pur-chases.	Free Home-stead Farms.	Grazing Leases.	Selections under Land Purchase Act.	Total.	Pastoral Leases.	Pastoral Leases in Goldfields Areas.	Special Leases.	Timber Licenses.	Exclusive Licenses.	Miscel-laneous Leases.	Total.
Month.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
January, 1900	11,232	2,296	2,330	90	15,948	678,000	85,000	81	...	...	676	763,757
February do.	7,190	2,960	1,000	252	11,402	443,000	...	25	...	...	...	443,025
March do.	6,227	1,842	2,900	226	11,195	546,000	66,000	126	...	...	1,004	613,130
April do.	8,127	2,676	5,702	1,083	17,588	81,000	266,000	6	...	...	...	347,006
May do.	18,132	2,740	4,300	...	25,172	794,000	156,000	100	...	...	2,000	952,100
June do.	14,485	5,787	3,700	...	23,972	660,000	151,000	5	1,280	...	9	812,294
July do.	8,611	2,720	7,550	205	19,086	382,000	154,000	15	...	230	392	536,637
August do.	12,795	4,918	1,202	48	18,963	190,000	266,000	...	8,960	...	100	465,060
September do.	26,812	9,880	4,200	120	41,012	851,844	170,000	51	19,840	...	528	1,042,263
October do.	15,441	5,164	4,625	2,529	27,759	941,000	571,000	...	640	775	...	1,513,415
Total 1st Jan. to 31st Oct., 1900	129,052	40,983	37,509	4,553	212,097	5,566,844	1,885,000	409	30,720	1,005	4,709	7,488,687

IX.—AGRICULTURE.

No. 27.—Areas under various kinds of Crops in Western Australia during each of the Four Seasons
1896-97 to 1899-1900.

Season ended	GRAIN CROPS.					Hay of all kinds.	Pota- toes.	ROOT CROPS.		Other Crops.	FRUIT.		Total Area under Crop.
	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Barley.	All other Grain Crops.			Onions.	All other Root Crops.		Vines.	Or- chards.	
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
28th Feb., 1897	31,489	30	1,753	1,903	340	69,437	720	59	134	1,186	2,294	2,393	111,738
Do. 1898	38,706	243	1,678	1,694	428	80,939	1,361	54	133	2,370	2,654	2,923	133,183
Do. 1899	75,032	110	3,072	2,186	700	79,223	1,675	96	128	2,916	2,961	3,678	171,777
Do. 1900	84,462	133	3,940	3,885	921	78,893	2,837	137	157	3,292	3,175	4,439	186,271

No. 28.—Total Yield of the Principal Crops in Western Australia for each of the Four Seasons
1896-97 to 1899-1900.

Season ended	GRAIN CROPS.							Hay of all kinds.	Potatoes.	ROOT CROPS.	
	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Barley.	Rye.	Dry Beans.	Dry Peas.			Onions.	All other Root Crops.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
28th Feb., 1897	243,928	504	18,871	12,816	*	*	*	50,500	2,089	144	228
Do. 1898	408,595	4,826	29,266	23,423	2,917	734	1,082	75,464	4,270	152	371
Do. 1899	870,909	1,365	55,854	29,295	4,812	491	2,421	77,297	5,698	245	457
Do. 1900	966,601	2,263	73,556	56,587	4,748	211	4,531	70,078	8,373	349	1,000

* No information available.

No. 29.—Average yield per Acre of the Principal Crops in Western Australia for each of the Four Seasons
1896-97 to 1899-1900.

Season ended	GRAIN CROPS.							Hay of all kinds.	Potatoes.	ROOT CROPS.	
	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Barley.	Rye.	Dry Beans.	Dry Peas.			Onions.	All other Root Crops.
	bush. per acre.	bush. per acre.	bush. per acre.	bush. per acre.	bush. per acre.	bush. per acre.	bush. per acre.	tons. per acre.	tons. per acre.	tons. per acre.	tons. per acre.
28th Feb., 1897 ...	7·75	16·66	10·76	6·73	*	*	*	0·73	2·90	2·42	1·71
Do. 1898 ...	10·56	19·84	17·44	13·83	8·51	42·86	15·88	0·93	3·14	2·80	2·78
Do. 1899 ...	11·61	12·38	18·18	13·40	9·36	27·28	14·43	0·98	3·40	2·56	3·57
Do. 1900 ...	11·44	17·02	18·67	14·57	8·74	13·69	12·48	0·89	2·95	2·55	6·37

* No information available.

X.—INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENTS (EXCLUSIVE OF MINES).

No. 30.—*Number of Industrial Establishments (exclusive of Mines) in Western Australia from which Returns were received under the provisions of the Industrial Statistics Act, and the number of Males and Females employed in such Establishments for each of the two years 1898 and 1899.*

NOTE.—For the purposes of comparison with the figures for 1899, the particulars relating to Quartz-reducing Works have been expunged from the 1898 returns, as they will henceforth be shown in Part VII. of the Statistical Register, dealing with Mining Statistics.

Nature of Industry.	1898.				1899.			
	No. of Establishments.	Average number employed.			No. of Establishments.	Average number employed.		
		Males.	Females.	Total.		Males.	Females.	Total.
<i>Class I.—Treating Raw Material, the Product of Pastoral pursuits.</i>								
Tanneries	4	31	3	34	3	22	...	22
Total Class I.	4	31	3	34	3	22	...	22
<i>Class II.—Connected with Food and Drink, or the preparation thereof.</i>								
A.—FOOD.								
Bakeries	51	294	10	304	50	298	7	305
Condiments, Coffee, etc.	3	57	15	72	3	51	16	67
Confectionery Works	5	31	12	43	7	46	24	70
Flour Mills	19	103	...	103	18	97	...	97
Ice and Refrigerating Works	4	41	1	42	5	57	1	58
Bacon Factories	1	36	9	45	2	36	9	45
Biscuit Factory	1				1			
Butter Factory	1				1			
Fish Preserving Works	2				1			
Fruit Preserving Works ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Pickle Factory ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Total Class II., A.	87	562	47	609	90	585	57	642
B.—DRINK.								
Aerated Water and Cordial Factories ...	53	326	2	328	52	304	1	305
Breweries	27	323	1	324	31	366	...	366
Water Condensing Works	18	111	...	111	18	114	...	114
Wine-making Establishments	5	27	2	29	6	26	...	26
Total Class II., B.	103	787	5	792	107	810	1	811
<i>Class III.—Clothing and Textile Fabrics.</i>								
Boot and Shoe Factories	15	208	63	271	13	239	56	295
Dressmaking and Millinery Establishments	19	...	158	158	21	...	235	235
Tailoring Establishments	46	239	258	497	56	300	317	617
Total Class III.	80	447	479	926	90	539	608	1,147
<i>Class IV.—Building Materials.</i>								
Brick Works	32	314	...	314	23	260	...	260
Glazing Establishments	2	24	...	24	2	24	...	24
Quarries and Lime Works	13	198	1	199	16	211	...	211
Sawmills (Forest)	35	2,961	...	2,961	25	2,798	1	2,799
Sawmills (Town) and Joinery Works ...	32	612	1	613	31	531	1	532
Paint Works	1	4	...	4	1	8	...	8
Modelling Works ... ..	...	...	...	...	1			
Total Class IV.	115	4,113	2	4,115	99	3,832	2	3,834
<i>Class V.—Metal Works, Machinery, etc.</i>								
Agricultural Implement Works	6	47	1	48	3	38	...	38
Electrical Engineering Works	2	23	...	23	4	72	...	72
Engineering Works, Iron Works, Foundries, Plumbing and Tinsmithing Establishments	35	525	3	528	35	779	4	783
Railway Workshops	2	899	2	901	3	921	3	924
Total Class V.	45	1,494	6	1,500	45	1,810	7	1,817
<i>Class VI.—Boat-building and Repairing, etc.</i>								
Boat-building Works, etc.	3	30	...	30	3	27	...	27
Total Class VI.	3	30	...	30	3	27	...	27

No. 30.—Industrial Establishments (exclusive of Mines), 1898 and 1899—continued.

Nature of Industry.	1898.				1899.			
	No. of Establishments.	Average number employed.			No. of Establishments.	Average number employed.		
		Males.	Females.	Total.		Males.	Females.	Total.
<i>Class VII.—Furniture, Bedding, etc.</i> Furniture and Bedding Factories ...	13	111	7	118	16	153	7	160
Total Class VII. ...	13	111	7	118	16	153	7	160
<i>Class VIII.—Books, Paper, Printing, etc.</i> Cardboard Box-making Establishment... Printing and Bookbinding Works ...	1 32	758	53	811	{ 1 35	728	54	782
Total Class VIII. ...	33				36			
<i>Class IX.—Vehicles, Saddlery, Harness, etc.</i> Coach and Wagon Building and Blacksmithing Establishments ... Cycle Works ... Saddlery and Harness-making Establishments ...	41 4 7	308 15 82	... 1 1	308 16 83	43 4 6	335 22 68	1 ... 2	336 22 70
Total Class IX. ...	52	405	2	407	53	425	3	428
<i>Class X.—Heat, Light, and Energy.</i> Electric Light and Power Works ... Firewood Yards ... Gas Works ...	7 16 3	56 60 56	... 1 ...	56 61 55	8 18 3	86 80 54	... ... ...	86 80 54
Total Class X. ...	26	172	1	173	29	220	...	220
<i>Class XI.—Miscellaneous.</i> Manufacturing Chemists' Establishments ... Manufacturing Jewellers' Establishments ... Monumental Works ... Photographic Establishments ... Soap and Candle Works ... Tobacco and Cigar Works ... Cooperage Works ... Eucalyptus Oil Works ... Guano Works ... Corn-crushing Works ... Leather Goods Manufacturing Establishment ... Optician's Establishment ... Picture Frame-making Establishment... Axle Grease Works ...	3 5 2 5 7 3 1 1 1	9 33 15 18 67 41 64	9 15 3 10	18 33 15 33 70 51 64	3 4 2 5 6 3 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	7 31 18 23 64 44 8 ... 71	16 16 2 13 ... 3	23 31 18 39 66 57 8 ... 74
Total Class XI. ...	28	247	37	284	32	266	50	316
GRAND TOTAL ...	589	9,157	642	9,799	603	9,417	789	10,206

No. 31.—Output of the Principal Manufacturing Establishments of the Colony during the Years 1897, 1898, and 1899.

Factories, etc.	Articles, etc., Produced or Treated.		1897.	1898.	1899.
Tanneries ...	Hides tanned ...	number	13,020	11,620	10,200
	Skins tanned ...	number	*	7,000	6,632
Flour Mills ...	Wheat ground ...	bushels	365,942	438,265	490,035
	Flour made ...	tons	7,314	8,460	10,042
Aerated Water and Cordial Factories	Aerated Waters made ...	dozens	1,061,178	890,135	1,085,922
	Cordials made ...	dozens	19,499	15,892	16,163
Breweries ...	Beer and Stout made ...	gallons	2,817,982	3,278,008	3,373,642
Boot Factories ...	Boots and Shoes made ...	pairs	171,307	207,957	217,416
Brickworks ...	Bricks made ...	number	36,564,400	26,810,900	18,564,710
Forest Saw Mills ...	Timber sawn ...	super. feet	85,052,976	103,042,991	118,051,861
Electric Light Works ...	Light supplied ...	Brit. units	230,180	459,847	618,349
Gas Works...	Gas supplied...	cubic feet	52,810,290	56,988,680	48,806,400
Soap and Candle Works ...	Soap made ...	cwt.	19,175	20,381	21,460
	Candles made ...	lbs.	765,135	1,169,475	1,881,600
Tobacco and Cigar Factories	Tobacco made ...	lbs.	83,600	67,477	78,155
	Cigars made ...	number	840,400	583,275	694,650
	Cigarettes made ...	lbs.	7,826	6,985	8,712
		number	2,909,000	585,000	1,056,000
		lbs.	6,545	1,316	2,640

* No information available.

No. 32.—Schedule of Rates of Wages paid in Western Australia (exclusive of Board and Lodging, except where otherwise stated), compiled from the latest Returns under the provisions of the Industrial Statistics Act.

Occupations.	Period to which Rates of Wages apply.	In the settled South-Western Districts.			On the Goldfields.*		
		Highest.	Lowest.	Average.	Highest.	Lowest.	Average.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Aerated Water-makers ...	Per week ...	4 0 0	2 10 0	3 0 0	4 0 0	3 0 0	3 10 0
Bakers ...	Do. ...	4 0 0	2 10 0	3 0 0	5 0 0	2 10 0	4 0 0
Barmaids ...	Do. { including board } { and lodging }	3 10 0	1 10 0	1 15 0	3 10 0	2 10 0	2 10 0
Barmen ...	Do. do.	3 0 0	1 10 0	2 0 0	3 10 0	3 0 0	3 0 0
Bicycle-makers ...	Do. ...	3 0 0	2 0 0	2 15 0	...	...	...
Blacksmiths ...	Do. ...	4 0 0	2 8 0	3 0 0	4 10 0	3 0 0	4 0 0
Boilermakers ...	Do. ...	3 18 0	3 0 0	3 12 0	4 16 0	4 10 0	4 10 0
Bookbinders ...	Do. ...	3 10 0	2 0 0	2 12 6	...	...	...
Bootmakers ...	Do. ...	4 0 0	2 0 0	2 15 0	...	...	...
Boundary Riders ...	Per annum ...	52 0 0	35 0 0	45 0 0	...	...	...
Brewers ...	Per week ...	10 0 0	3 10 0	7 0 0	10 0 0	4 0 0	8 0 0
Bricklayers ...	Do. ...	3 12 0	3 6 0	3 6 0	5 8 0	4 0 0	4 16 0
Brickmakers ...	Do. ...	2 14 0	2 0 0	2 14 0	4 10 0	3 6 0	3 12 0
Bullock Drivers ...	Per annum ...	75 0 0	40 0 0	55 0 0	...	...	...
Butchers ...	Per week ...	3 10 0	2 10 0	3 0 0	...	...	...
Cabinetmakers ...	Do. ...	4 10 0	1 10 0	2 14 0	...	...	...
Candlemoulders ...	Do. ...	2 0 0	1 15 0	2 0 0	...	...	...
Carpenters ...	Do. ...	4 0 0	2 8 0	3 0 0	5 8 0	4 0 0	4 16 0
Carters ...	Do. ...	3 0 0	1 0 0	2 2 0	4 0 0	2 5 0	3 0 0
Coachmen ...	Do. { including board } { and lodging }	2 0 0	1 10 0	1 10 0	...	...	...
Confectioners ...	Do. ...	3 10 0	2 10 0	3 0 0	...	...	...
Compositors (journeymen) ...	Do. ...	4 0 0	2 0 0	2 15 0	4 0 0	3 10 0	3 15 0
Cooks (male) ...	Do. } including board {	4 10 0	2 0 0	2 10 0	6 0 0	4 10 0	4 10 0
Do. (female) ...	Do. } and lodging }	2 10 0	1 10 0	1 15 0	4 10 0	3 0 0	3 0 0
Coopers ...	Do. ...	3 9 0	2 10 0	3 0 0	4 10 0	4 0 0	4 5 0
Cutters, Tailor's ...	Do. ...	8 0 0	2 10 0	5 0 0	...	...	...
Drapers (male) ...	Do. ...	5 0 0	1 5 0	2 10 0	5 0 0	3 0 0	4 0 0
Do. (female) ...	Do. ...	4 10 0	0 10 6	1 10 0	5 0 0	1 5 0	2 5 0
Dressmakers ...	Do. ...	2 0 0	1 0 0	1 10 0	3 10 0	1 0 0	2 0 0
Engine-drivers ...	Do. ...	4 0 0	2 0 0	3 0 0	5 0 0	3 10 0	4 0 0
Engine-fitters ...	Do. ...	4 0 0	2 8 0	3 6 0	5 0 0	4 10 0	4 15 0
Farm Labourers ...	Do. ...	2 0 0	1 5 0	1 12 6	...	...	...
Flour Millers ...	Do. ...	3 10 0	2 10 0	3 0 0	...	...	...
Gasfitters ...	Do. ...	3 0 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	...	...	...
General Labourers ...	Do. ...	3 0 0	1 10 0	2 8 0	4 0 0	2 2 0	3 6 0
General Servants (female) ...	Do. { including board } { and lodging }	2 10 0	0 15 0	1 0 0	2 10 0	1 10 0	2 0 0
Glaziers ...	Do. ...	3 0 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	...	...	...
Grocers ...	Do. ...	3 0 0	1 10 0	2 5 0	4 0 0	3 10 0	3 10 0
Hairdressers ...	Do. ...	4 10 0	1 10 0	3 0 0	4 0 0	4 0 0	4 0 0
Harnessmakers ...	Do. ...	3 0 0	1 16 0	2 8 0	...	...	...
Hod Carriers ...	Do. ...	2 14 0	2 8 0	2 11 0	4 0 0	3 0 0	3 12 0
Housemaids ...	Do. { including board } { and lodging }	1 5 0	0 15 0	0 17 6	2 0 0	1 10 0	1 10 0
Ironmongers ...	Do. ...	4 5 0	2 10 0	3 0 0	5 0 0	3 10 0	4 0 0
Ironmoulders ...	Do. ...	4 0 0	2 14 0	3 6 0	4 15 0	4 10 0	4 10 0
Ironworkers ...	Do. ...	3 6 0	2 14 0	3 0 0	...	...	...
Jewellers ...	Do. ...	3 10 0	2 10 0	3 0 0	...	...	...
Joiners ...	Do. ...	4 0 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	4 16 0	3 15 0	4 4 0
Labourers (general) ...	Do. ...	3 0 0	1 10 0	2 8 0	4 0 0	2 2 0	3 6 0
Laundresses ...	Do. { including board } { and lodging }	2 0 0	1 0 0	1 5 0	3 0 0	2 0 0	2 10 0
Letterpress Machinists ...	Do. ...	4 0 0	2 0 0	2 10 0	3 15 0	3 0 0	3 10 0
Lithographers (journeymen) ...	Do. ...	3 0 0	2 10 0	2 15 0	...	...	...
Lumpers ...	Do. ...	5 0 0	3 10 0	4 0 0	...	...	...
Marble Masons ...	Do. ...	3 6 0	2 14 0	3 0 0	...	...	...
Married Couples for Farms ...	Per annum ...	116 0 0	75 0 0	90 0 0	...	...	...
Masons, Stone ...	Per week ...	3 12 0	3 6 0	3 12 0	5 8 0	4 0 0	4 16 0
Milliners ...	Do. ...	2 10 0	1 0 0	1 10 0	...	...	...
Millers, Flour ...	Do. ...	3 10 0	2 10 0	3 0 0	...	...	...
Miners, Gold ...	Do. ...	3 0 0	2 8 0	2 14 0	4 10 0	3 0 0	3 15 0
Mowers, Hand ...	Do. ...	2 8 0	1 16 0	1 17 6	...	...	...
Nursemaids ...	Do. { including board } { and lodging }	0 17 6	0 10 0	0 12 6	1 10 0	1 5 0	1 5 0
Orchard Hands ...	Do. ...	2 10 0	1 10 0	1 15 0	...	...	...
Painters ...	Do. ...	3 6 0	2 8 0	2 15 0	4 16 0	3 12 0	4 4 0
Parlour Maids ...	Do. { including board } { and lodging }	1 5 0	0 15 0	0 17 6	2 0 0	1 10 0	1 10 0
Photographic Operators ...	Do. ...	8 0 0	5 0 0	6 0 0	...	...	...
Plasterers ...	Do. ...	3 0 0	2 8 0	2 14 0	5 8 0	4 0 0	4 16 0
Ploughmen ...	Do. ...	2 2 0	1 10 0	1 17 0	...	...	...
Plumbers ...	Do. ...	3 6 0	2 2 0	3 0 0	5 0 0	3 0 0	4 10 0
Polishers ...	Do. ...	3 0 0	1 10 0	2 8 0	...	...	...
Quarrymen ...	Do. ...	3 0 0	2 8 0	2 14 0
Reapers ...	Do. ...	1 16 0	1 10 0	1 15 0
Retouchers ...	Do. ...	4 15 0	2 5 0	2 15 0

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No. 32.—Schedule of Rates of Wages paid in Western Australia, etc.—continued.

Occupations.	Period to which Rates of Wages apply.	In the settled South-Western Districts.			On the Goldfields.*		
		Highest.	Lowest.	Average	Highest.	Lowest.	Average.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Saddle Makers	Per week	3 10 0	2 2 0	2 10 0	...	...	...
Sawyers	Do.	3 12 0	2 14 0	3 6 0	4 10 0	4 0 0	4 0 0
Scullerymen	Do. } including board {	1 15 0	1 0 0	1 5 0	2 10 0	2 0 0	2 5 0
Servants, General—female	Do. } and lodging {	2 10 0	0 15 0	1 0 0	2 10 0	1 10 0	2 0 0
Shearers	Per 100 sheep	1 5 0	1 0 0	1 2 6	...	...	...
Soap Boilers	Per week	4 0 0	2 14 0	3 0 0	...	...	...
Stockmen	Per annum	85 0 0	52 0 0	68 0 0	...	...	...
Stonemasons	Per week	3 12 0	3 6 0	3 12 0	5 8 0	4 0 0	4 16 0
Tailoresses	Do.	3 5 0	1 0 0	1 15 0	...	...	...
Tailors	Do.	5 0 0	2 0 0	3 10 0	...	...	...
Tanners	Do.	3 0 0	2 2 0	2 10 0	...	...	...
Teamsters	Do.	3 0 0	2 14 0	3 0 0	...	...	...
Turners, Wood	Do.	3 6 0	2 8 0	3 0 0	...	...	...
Upholsterers	Do.	3 12 0	2 8 0	3 0 0	...	...	...
Waiters	Do. } including board {	1 15 0	1 5 0	1 10 0	3 0 0	2 10 0	2 10 0
Waitresses	Do. } and lodging {	2 0 0	1 0 0	1 5 0	2 10 0	1 10 0	2 0 0
Wharf Labourers	Do.	5 0 0	3 10 0	4 0 0	...	...	...
Wheelwrights	Do.	4 0 0	2 8 0	3 0 0	4 10 0	3 6 0	4 0 0
Government Railway Servants throughout the Colony—							
Gangers	Per day	0 12 6	0 8 0	0 8 0	...	...	...
Guards	Do.	0 11 0	0 8 0	0 9 0	...	...	...
Labourers	Do.	0 8 0	0 6 0	0 7 0	...	...	...
Locomotive Engine-drivers	Do.	0 14 0	0 10 0	0 11 0	...	...	...
Do. Firemen	Do.	0 9 6	0 8 0	0 8 6	...	...	...
Do. Cleaners	Do.	0 7 0	0 3 6	0 6 6
Porters	Do.	0 8 6	0 6 0	0 7 0
Shunters	Do.	0 9 0	0 7 0	0 8 0
Signalmen	Do.	0 10 6	0 8 0	0 9 6

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XI.—METEOROLOGICAL STATISTICS.

(Compiled from returns supplied by W. E. Cooke, Esq., Government Astronomer.)

No. 33.—*Abstract of Meteorological Observations taken at Perth Botanic Gardens.*

Latitude, 31° 57' S. Altitude above mean sea level, 50 feet. Longitude, 115° 51' E.

Month.			Barometer corrected to 32° Fahrenheit and Mean Sea Level.				Thermometers in the Shade.										Mean humidity. Year 1900.		Rain.			
			Average for previous 15 years.		Year 1900.		Average for previous 24 years.		Year 1900.				Highest ever recorded.		Lowest ever recorded.				Average for previous 24 years.		Year 1900.	
Mean.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Mean.	Mean maximum.	Mean minimum.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Date.	Min.	Date.	Rain (100=1in.)	No. of wet days.	Rain (100=1in.)	No. of wet days.					
January	29·93	29·98	30·26	29·68	75	73	85	62	100	52	117	25-1-78	46	23-1-89	59	33	2	117	5	
February	·95	·98	·34	·75	76	78	91	64	107	53	114	13-2-82	49	18-2-97	62	43	3	3	1	
March	30·02	30·09	·40	·82	73	68	80	56	93	48	106	31-3-79	47	24-3-85	63	84	4	24	2	
April	·11	·05	·31	·69	66	66	75	57	83	48	107	1-4-79	41	14-4-84†	68	186	7	130	5	
May	·12	·17	·50	·69	60	59	69	50	81	41	92	1-5-86	34	22-5-82	72	487	13	291	7	
June	·10	29·93	·44	·48	56	59	65	52	69	42	81	4-6-95	31	27-6-77	78	647	16	1121	23	
July	·14	30·09	·52	·49	55	55	63	46	68	40	75	19-7-76	33	14-7-84	75	589	16	536	16	
August	·11	·05	·41	·56	56	56	63	50	67	39	84	30-8-76	34	12-8-97	76	570	17	786	26	
September	·09	·17	·53	·64	59	58	68	48	88	38	89	29-9-80	35	5-9-87	71	296	13	252	11	
October	·06	·04	·29	·67	62	65	74	56	90	47	97	27-10-94	38	6-10-86	75	205	11	271*	15*	
November	·02	...	...	...	68	...	...	...	...	...	105	30-11-83	41	4-11-85	...	87	5	...	...
December	29·96	...	...	...	72	...	...	...	...	...	114	25-12-82	47	12-79	...	66	4	...	...
Mean	30·05	...	...	...	65	...	...	...	...	...	117	1878	31	1877	...	3293	111	...	...

* The rainfall for the present year, up to the 31st October, was 3531 points distributed over 111 days, as compared with an average of 3140 points on 102 days for the corresponding period of previous 24 years.

† Also on 27-4-87, and 26-4-94.

Average Rainfall in Land Divisions.

Land Divisions.					Rain (100=1in.)		Periods of observations.	
					Range.	Average.	Range.	Average.
							years	years
Kimberley	Land	Division	...	...	2817 to 2090	2401	5 to 14	9
North-West	do.	do.	...	...	1599 to 726	1162	5 to 18	11
Gascoyne	do.	do.	...	...	972 to 486	720	5 to 17	9
Eastern	do.	do.	...	...	1200 to 659	907	5 to 13	9
South-Western	do.	do.	...	...	4116 to 1344	2324	5 to 24	15
Eucla	do.	do.	...	...	1005 to 896	964	9 to 16	13

XII.—GENERAL ELECTIONS.

(Compiled from figures supplied by R. P. G. Daly, Esq., Inspector of Parliamentary Rolls.)

No. 34.—Return of the number of Electors in each Electoral District on the Roll of the Legislative Assembly in April, 1900.

Electoral District.		Electoral District.		Electoral District.		Electoral District.	
Name.	No. of Electors.	Name.	No. of Electors.	Name.	No. of Electors.	Name.	No. of Electors.
Albany	818	Fremantle, East	1,670	Murchison, North	553	Sussex	507
Ashburton	64	Do. North	1,571	Do. South	843	Swan	1,452
Beverley	337	Do. South	2,355	Murray	740	Toodyay	438
Bunbury	663	Gascoyne	194	Nelson	290	Wellington	581
Canning	1,280	Geraldton	687	Northam	784	Williams	647
Coolgardie	3,766	Greenough	192	Perth	1,357	Yalgoo	246
Do. East	5,991	Irwin	145	Do. East	1,776	Yilgarn	447
Do. North... ..	1,973	Kimberley, East	65	Do. North	2,524	York	495
Do. N. East	3,476	Do. West	189	Do. West	3,049		
DeGrey	82	Moore	377	Pilbarra	295	Total number of Electors on the Roll }	46,544
Dundas	912	Murchison	177	Plantagenet	519		
Fremantle	854	Do. Central	1,021	Roebourne	142		

No. 35.—Return of the Number of Electors, in each Electoral Province, on the Roll of the Legislative Council in April, 1900.

Electoral Province.										Number of Electors.
										No.
Central ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	773
East ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,645
Metropolitan ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,467
North	156
North-East	1,862
South-East	883
South-West	725
West	2,440
Total										11,951

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